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SUBJ: MTN: TROPICAL PRODUCTS

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF INFORMAL SECRETARIAT PAPER CIRCULATED TO "A FEW DELEGATIONS" TITLED, QUOTE POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION RELATING TO POSSIBLE RULES FOR THE TABLING OF INITIAL OFFERS. UNQUOTE

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ITEMS 1 7 OF ATTACHED TEXT

- 1) ALL THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS TO WHOM INITIAL REQUEST LISTS FOR CONCESSIONS ON TROPICAL PRODUCTS HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED WILL TABLE THEIR INITIAL OFFERS ON1975 IN(NUMBER)COPIES. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT PRIOR TO.....(DATE) CONSULTATIONS AS NECESSARY WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN THE PARTICIPANTS MAKING THE REQUESTS AND THE PARTICIPANTS TO WHOM THE REQUESTS HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED.
- 2) OFFERS SHOULD BE DRAWN UP IN A CONSOLIDATED LIST CONTAINING ALL THE OFFERS BEING TABLED, WITH ITEMS ARRANGED IN THE MANNER IN WHICH THEY APPEAR IN THE TARIFF OF THE PARTICIPANT TABLING THE UNCLASSIFIED

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LIST OF OFFERS, USING THE DRAFT PRO FORMA SHOWN IN THE ATTACHMENT.

- 3) THE CONSOLIDATED LISTS OF INITIAL OFFERS SHOULD CONTAIN INFORMATION ON THE REQUESTS SUBMITTED TO THE PARTICIPANT TABLING THE OFFERS, EVEN THOUGH THE INITIAL RESPONSE TO PARTICULAR REQUESTS MAY BE "NO INITIAL OFFER".
- 4) THE STATEMENT OF INITIAL OFFERS COULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY ANY OBSERVATIONS CONSIDERED NECESSARY BY THE PARTICIPANT MAKING THE OFFERS WITH RESPECT TO THE BASIS ON WHICH SUCH OFFERS ARE BEING MADE.
- 5) (ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CIRCULATION OF INITIAL OFFERS TO BE INSERTED)
- 6) ARRANGEMENTS SHALL BE MADE IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE CONSOLIDATED LISTS OF INITIAL OFFERS.
- 7) THE PRESENTATION OF INITIAL OFFERS WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY CONSULTATIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN INTERESTED PARTICIPANTS. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS ON TROPICAL PRODUCTS, THE GROUP "TROPICAL PRODUCTS" SHALL REVIEW THE STATUS OF THE CONSULTATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE INITIAL OFFERS AT A MEETING TO BE HELD ON IT SHALL ALSO MAKE SUCH ARRANGEMENTS FOR MULTILATERAL OR PLURILATERAL CONSULTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE OFFERS AS WOULD FURTHER THE ATTAINMENT OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE NEGOTIATIONS IN THIS AREA. UNQUOTE.
- 2. PAPER INCLUDES PRO FORMA TABLE OF CONSOLIDATED LIST OF INITIAL OFFERS AND INCLUDES 12 COLUMNS:

COLUMN 1 -- TARIFF ITEM NUMBER

- 2 -- DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT
- 3 -- MFN AND GSP RATES OF DUTY AT (DATE TO BE FILLED IN)
- 4 -- COUNTRIES REQUESTING CONCESSION
- 5 -- REQUESTED RATE OF DUTY
- 6 -- CONCESSION OFFERED
- 7 -- COUNTRIES TO WHICH OFFER IS MADE
- 8 -- NON-TARIFF MEASURES AFFECTING PRODUCTS

COLUMNS 9 THRU 12 -- REPEAT COLUMNS 4 THRU 7 ELICITING SIMILAR INFORMATION FOR NON-TARIFF MEASURES.MCNAMARA UNCLASSIFIED

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